



## William Payment

April 6, 1928 - November 1, 2005

William F. "Wild Bill" Payment, age 77, of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan was taken home by his Heavenly Father early Tuesday morning, November 1, 2005. Bill was born in Killarney, Ontario on April 6, 1928. In later years, he attended the Salvation Army. He was a gifted cabinet maker and guitar player, who loved to listen to Bill Thorne on the radio. During his illness, he enjoyed writing to many soldiers and relatives as they served their country in Iraq and also in Korea. He loved spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren and great grandchildren. He is survived by his wife; Doris (Pottinger) Payment, whom he married on September 19, 1953 in Sault Ste. Marie, MI, his three daughters; Majors Betsy (Bill) Cox of Gladstone, MI, Cheryl (Bill) Harvey of Bruce Mines, Ont., and Ruthann (Ray) Bellerive of Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., two special "sons"; Joe (Cheryl) Mahoney and John (Kathy) Leigh, 14 grandchildren; Syddora (Ralph) Ray, Aaron (Miranda) Cox, Rachel, Betsie, Bobby, Caleb, and Allison Cox, Keith (Josee) Harvey, Johnathon (Suzanne) Harvey, Melinda, Alan, Raquel Thibault, and Shawn and Cara Bellerive, and 4 great grandchildren; Christian Ray, and Brandon, Deanna, and Aiden Harvey. He is also survived by 7 sisters; Hazel Bergeron, Gladys Stein, Helen (Harold) Finner, Veronica Jacobson, Betty Lopez, Ruth Hopper, and Patsy (Fred) Snider, a brother; Chuck (Rose) Payment, and many special friends and guitar buddies. Bill was preceded in death by his parents; Fred and Josephine (de La Morandiere) Payment, a sister; Pearl Lamma, and a brother; Jack Payment. A memorial service will be held at

10:00 AM on Saturday, November 5, 2005 at the Salvation Army. Due to severe allergies, within the family, no fresh flowers please. Memorials may be left to Hospice of Chippewa County, the Salvation Army, or the Family of William Payment.

# Tribute Wall

DD

“ Dear Doris,  
This is Diane, your visiting teacher from 1975-77. You may not even remember me. I came to visit you each month from the LDS church. Remember? I bought your big upright Wesser Brothers piano that Bill had made a bench for. I'm sorry for your loss. We do love this piano. It has been restored and is a beautiful family treasure. Hope you are well.  
Love,  
Diane Donovan

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**Diane Donovan** - July 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Dear Aunt Doris, Betsy, Sherry, & Ruthann,  
We were so sorry to hear about Uncle Bill's passing. I know that he had been ill for some time and that ALL of you have been his love and support. I want you to know that we think of family often even though our lives paths lead us elsewhere. Uncle Bill had so many special talents, one of my favorite memories is of him playing his guitar. He also had such a fun sense of humor and a gift for doing anything "carpentry". We will keep you in our prayers. Love and Condolances Bill, DeeDee & Sons (Mike and Ron)

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**DeeDee Clor** - November 02, 2005 at 12:00 AM

BK

“ Dearest Doris and Family,

*Bruce and I just wanted to send to you all our condolences on your recent loss. We were happy that we were able to spend a little time with Uncle Billy and the family in the past few years. Bruce always enjoyed the family reunions and listening to Uncle Billy and his buddies play the guitar. I was especially grateful to be able to see Uncle Billy one last time just prior to his passing. It was wonderful seeing him and the rest of the family.*

*Again Aunt Doris, we are so sorry for your loss. If there is anything that we can do for you please let us know. We love you and miss you.*

*Carol and Bruce*

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**Bruce and Carol (Jacobson) King** - November 02, 2005 at 12:00 AM